

J. Kearney's COLUMN

Spread of Spanish Influenza in Philadelphia Forces Postponement of Dempsey-Levinsky Bout.

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BATTLING LEVINSKY will not battle six rounds with Jack Dempsey Wednesday night, at Philadelphia. When all details had been smoothed out and everything looked lovely for a peppery tilt down in Philly, the bout was confronted with an unexpected obstacle—Spanish influenza. Philadelphia, following the lead of Boston, which has been overrun with the epidemic, ordered the shutting down of many amusement places. Officials of the Olympia A. A., at which club Dempsey was to try his championship contentions against Levinsky, was requested by city authorities to suspend operations until the health officials could check the spread of Spanish influenza. The decision to postpone the heavyweight bout came promptly after Levinsky announced that his brother died last Friday and that he would not care to fight this week. Accordingly, the scrap between the two heavies has been put back for several weeks.

INTERCOLLEGIATE football this season will be greatly restricted, due mainly to the taking over of the institutions by the War Department. It is almost settled now that college football will be confined to a few games. While the colleges are backward about their gridiron plans no such situation prevails for hundreds of football players now stationed in army and navy camps. Preliminary reports received by Walter Camp, head of the Athletic Division of the Navy Commission on Training Camp Activities, make it clear that football will form the principal feature of the fall programme for sports in every naval station from Machias, Me., to Miami, Fla., on the Atlantic seaboard, and from Puget Sound, Wash., to San Diego, Cal., on the Pacific slope. Installed in the naval stations by Mr. Camp as athletic directors are a dozen coaches whose names are familiar to followers of the gridiron sport. Calls for preliminary practice have been issued by these coaches, and from all accounts the response has been gratifying.

In the First, or Boston District, George V. Brown, for fifteen years athletic organizer of the Boston Athletic Association, is forming a league among stations in the district, and a score of other station football units will be formed immediately. In the Second, or Newport District, Dr. William T. Bull, a former Yale coach, who last year organized an all-star eleven of old college players, has retired from active service, and Fred M. Walker, a former University of Chicago baseball star, and who was recently pitcher for the St. Louis Cardinals, has been appointed Athletic Director. Dr. Bull will remain in an advisory capacity, and his services will be utilized by Mr. Walker as associate football coach.

Frank Bergh, the former Princeton quarterback, is the Commissioner on Training Camp Activities Athletic Director of the Third Naval District, the headquarters of which are at Pelham Bay. He will be assisted in turning out football material by Lieut. W. T. Cochran, Lieut. Cochran is a former Army football star.

In the Fourth District, at League Island, Philadelphia, Byron W. Dickson, a former University of Pennsylvania star, has assumed the duties of Athletic Director. He will be assisted in the football coaching by Lieut. "Big Bill" Hollenback, another Quaker star. More than 500 candidates for the representative football team of the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill., have responded to the call of Coach Herman P. O'Leary, the former Yale star. Every unit at this station will have its own football team, and the representative Great Lakes team is certain to make a stout showing in its matches with the representative army eleven which it will meet this season.

Out at Bremerton, Puget Sound, and the Naval Station at Seattle, Elmer C. Henderson and Arthur C. Woodward are organizing football extensively in these two leading stations of the Northwest. Both have had experience as intercollegiate coaches in that section for years.

Andy Smith, the former University of Pennsylvania fullback, has just been appointed by the Navy Commission on Training Camp Activities to the post of Athletic Director at Mare Island. He will promote football as the chief autumn sport at the station.

MISS GOSS AND HALL WIN COURT MATCH.

Miss Eleanor Goss and Walter Merrill Hall, who recently won the New York State mixed doubles championship, showed their prowess in a Red Cross match on the courts of the Hoboken Lawn Tennis Club, at Hoboken, N. J., yesterday.

The fast playing and hard hitting of the champions in the rallies made it easy for them to defeat Miss Marion Underwood and Sergt. Harold A. Thompson. The score was 6-2, 6-1.

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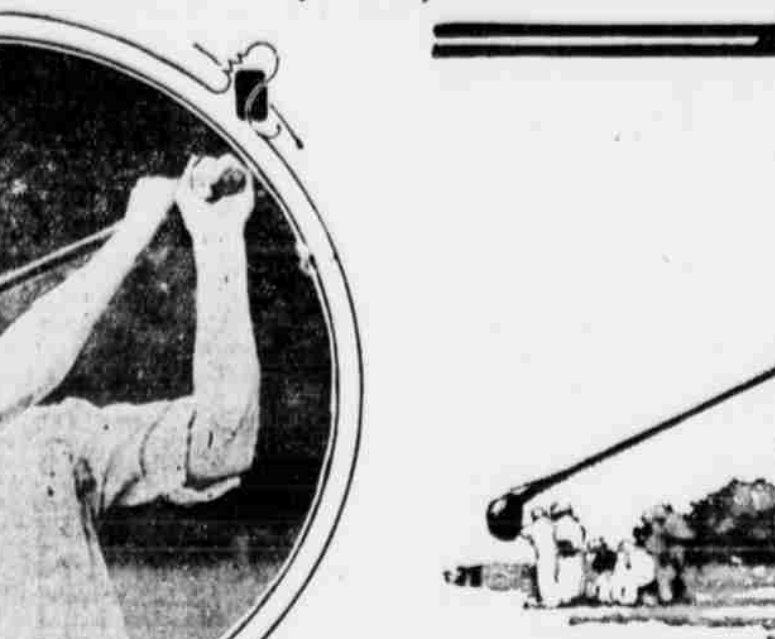
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Great Chance of Squaring Accounts With Khayyam, Cudgel and The Porter Missed When Great Colt Was Scratched at Laurel.

(Special to The Evening World.)

BALTIMORE, Md., Oct. 7.—R. F. Carman allowed a golden opportunity Saturday at the Laurel track to slip out of his grasp and even up the score against Wilfred Vau and Sandy McNaughton. Carman had Sunny Slope entered in the Baltimore Handicap and had accepted the weights against Omar Khayyam, Cudgel and The Porter, but at the last minute, after announcing Sunny Slope as a starter, had withdrawn the colt. His chance for R-E-V-E-N-G-E slipped past when The Porter, after leading all the way, beat Cudgel and Omar Khayyam without being called upon to show his best speed. Inasmuch as Sunny Slope had beaten The Porter on Thursday, Sunny Slope's chance to win the big event on Saturday seemed even brighter than that of The Porter.

It is an old story now how Carman, after winning the majority of three-year-old events of 1917 with Omar Khayyam lost that colt this spring after he had been beaten by Cudgel. Vau took his string of thoroughbreds out of Carman's care and gave them to McNaughton to train. With the idea of beating Omar Khayyam with a horse he trained, Carman secured Sunny Slope. Once that colt was in his hands Carman prepared him with one object in view—to beat Omar Khayyam. He came to Maryland with Sunny Slope, with the hope uppermost that he could start Sunny Slope against the former. Just when the fates played into his hands—to wit on Saturday—and his longed-for opportunity came striding along, Carman "scratched" Sunny Slope and his chance to glory passed away.

It's reasonable to suppose that Sunny Slope would have beaten The Porter on Saturday. The Porter ran away from Cudgel and Omar Khayyam beating them by two lengths. Sunny Slope had a big beaten The Porter at Laurel in a race that was a public trial for the big event in which Cudgel and Omar Khayyam met defeat. McNaughton was satisfied that Omar Khayyam was no longer a factor in the race, and he is living on his old record. Cudgel has trained "off" and the three-year-olds Sunny Slope and The Porter hold the centre of the racing world's eye, for the big events are now located at the Laurel track.

Eternal, the two-year-old colt that many have professed to believe could beat Billy Kelly, arrived here yesterday in good shape after a long trip from New York. Kelly Patterson, his trainer, said that Billy Kelly was in a state of mind to race before he had raced against Billy Kelly in a special match. Patterson believes a race in company over the track would be beneficial to Eternal as he, like most youngsters, race better in their second start than they do in their initial effort.

No race track in New York—or in the United States for that matter—has such a glittering array of spectators as did Laurel on Saturday. A great many of the notable officers of the army and navy in uniform were present.

BIG BOXING SHOW PLANNED FOR PELHAM BAY SAILORS.

Two of the bouts that will be easily worth double the admission price that are among those to be contested on the monster programme for the benefit of the boys from Pelham Bay, at the Hunt's Point Club, in the Bronx, on Thursday night, will bring together Willie Jackson and Packey Hommer and Barrie Adair and Alie Nack. The two former are practically Bronx rivals, while the latter are from Hunterdon and the latter kind. Each one of these battles will be contested in which the boys will try to win a prize and a puncher during the entire six rounds. Rattling Reddy, the crack Harlem bantam, will be kept busy dodging Phil Fraehling's punches. "Cherry" is a lad that has developed rapidly during the past few months and has been at the Pelham Club.

Queens Eleven Defeated.

The Queens Football Club was beaten by a score of 4 goals to 1 at the hands of the Prospect Football Club in the combination league match at Prospect Park yesterday.

Both led at half time by 2 goals to 1, thanks to goals by Meloney and Daley. Two more goals by Daley and another by 2, Bens were better by the winners in the second period.

LAST WEEK OF RACING AT JAMAICA